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(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:

Makoto Suematsu et al.

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Examiner: M.S. Noble

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 19, 2010 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action dated February 19, 2010, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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**FEE CALCULATION**

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

|   | Claims<br>Remaining | Highest<br>Number | Number<br>Extra | Rate | Additional<br>Fee |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------|-------------------|
| Total   | 25                  | - 34* =           | 0               | X    | 0.00              |
| Independent                                       | 2                   | - 3** =           | 0               | X    | 0.00              |
| First presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s) |                     |                   |                 |      | 0.00              |
| TOTAL   |                     |                   |                 |      | 0.00              |

\*not less than 20      \*\* not less than 3

A response to the February 19, 2010 Final Office Action is due May 19, 2010, and this Amendment is being timely filed.

No fee is required for the filing of this Amendment. However, in the event a fee is required or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2215, Order. No. K2100.0001.

**CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this Amendment is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215, under Order No. K2100.0001.